



## Try the ABC's of SchoolPooling

### A. Register

If you received an email from your school, follow the enclosed link to validate your account on RideshareOnline.com. You will automatically be assigned to your school's commute program.

If you received a pass code, sign up at RideshareOnline.com. Once you have completed the initial registration, click the Profile menu tab on the top blue navigation bar and select My Networks. Click Join Network, select your school network, enter your pass code and the rest of the required information.

### B. Find a Match

Click the SchoolPool Menu tab. Click Add SchoolPool Trip link. Enter your school commute start and destination addresses, times, preferences on carpooling and privacy options. Click save and SchoolPool will automatically show you ridematches in your network.

### C. Make Contact

Send a message or call to find the best ridematch and you're on your way!

## It's cool to SchoolPool

The King County SchoolPool program is available to students at your child's school. It is open to all public and private elementary, middle and high schools in King County. Participation is voluntary, and parents create the schedules that work best for them.

To set up a SchoolPool at your school, contact the transportation coordinator at your child's school. If your school does not already have a program, ask them to contact [schoolpool@rideshareonline.com](mailto:schoolpool@rideshareonline.com) for information. We can help create a secure network at your school for free.

Once the SchoolPool is set up, **Try the ABC's of SchoolPooling.**

## At Your Fingertips

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with your school's commute program  
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**teach a brilliant lesson in carpooling**  
divide the driving duties  
improve their school life

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## SchoolPool gives you a recess from driving

Why not share the driving responsibilities with other moms and dads just like you?

SchoolPool is a free, safe and secure carpool matching service that connects you with other parents of kids who attend your child's school.

## Better for you, better for the kids, better for the environment

Research indicates that when students carpool their school attendance and timeliness improve. Parents who share carpooling duties save valuable time, stress and fuels cost, and they help the environment by taking cars off the road.

- Saves you \$200 a month on average
- Reduces wear and tear on your car

This secure service matches you with other parents in your neighborhood who are interested in sharing the driving responsibilities.

## SchoolPool makes biking and walking to school a safe and fun option

To promote physical activity and healthy lifestyles for students, SchoolPool provides walk and bike matching, too. If you would like your child to bike or walk to school but aren't comfortable with him or her traveling alone, you can find bike buddies and walking school buses with the online SchoolPool ride-matching tool. A walking school bus is a group of children who walk to school with a parent.

### Ridematching tips

- To find the most ridematches, be flexible in your trip start and return times.
- If no match appears, select Advanced Search and deselect Trip Times Should Match.
- Sometimes individuals are more flexible on commute times when contacted.

## Log your trips, watch your savings add up

Once signed in, click Calendar.

1. Select your mode of travel, add a few details, then click the days you commuted.
2. Go back to your home page and watch your miles, cost savings and CO<sub>2</sub> reductions add up.

## Frequently asked questions

**Q. How is SchoolPool Secure?**

**A. Information is secure, and you can make it confidential, too, because you choose what information you want to share. You can keep your name, address and trip information private and share it only with the matches with whom you wish to carpool.**

**Q. Can I match only with other parents from my child's school?**

**A. Yes. Parents can choose to match only with other families from their child's SchoolPool network.**

**Q. Must I have a car in order to participate in the SchoolPool program?**

**A. No. You do not need a car to participate. You can choose to ride, bike or walk. Walking and biking "school buses" are great, healthy ways to get kids to school safely.**

**Q. What if I don't find any matches in the SchoolPool program?**

**A. Try again. Return to the site often and encourage families at your school to join. As SchoolPool catches on, you will find new ridematches.**